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Watson's restraining order hearing held over

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ARCATA — A hearing to make permanent the temporary restraining order protecting four city personnel from City Councilmember Brett Watson was continued last Friday until Monday, Dec. 12 at 1:30 p.m.

Judge Timothy Canning, who granted the temporary restraining order on Oct. 7, was not available Friday. The temporary order remains in place, and requires Watson to keep his distance from Karen Diemer, city manager; Nancy Diamond, city attorney; Danette Demello, assistant city manager; and Stacy Atkins-Salazar, Arcata mayor.

At the hearing, Watson gave consent for police to search his residence for additional firearms he couldn't find when he turned in others he owns.

"We are aware of the request to search Councilmember Watson's residence and are evaluating next steps," said Police Chief Brian Ahearn on Monday.

Watson attended last week's City Council meeting by phone. Several citizens expressed support for Watson and his re-election while others condemned him for his alleged sexual harassment of a city employee.

In called-in comment marked by long pauses and strange beeping that sounded like a smoke detector, Watson said he had stayed home that night to tend to his rabbits, Abraham Lincoln and America, who had given birth.

Pack of 10 frenzied poodles swarms Trinidad beachgoers

Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD — A 13-year-old corgi and her owner were viciously attacked Tuesday, Oct. 29 by a pack of poodles at Trinidad State Beach.

Kathrin Burleson was walking her dog Emma and was with a friend at the beach when a pack of 10 standard poodles jumped out of a car about 50 feet away and ran towards them.

Burleson said she reached down to pick up Emma, who was so scared that she wiggled out of her harness.

Within seconds, the pack was on top of them.



VICTIM Emma, a 13-year-old Corgi, was viciously attacked Oct. 29.

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County cannabis tax zeroed for two years

Daniel Mintz

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — Humboldt County's Measure S cannabis excise tax will be suspended for two years to help local farmers soldier through tough economic conditions.

A majority of the county's Board of Supervisors voted for the two-year suspension at its November 1 meeting.

The suspension follows an 85 percent reduction in

Measure S taxes owned for 2022. When the reduction was approved, supervisors agreed to re-evaluate the taxation.

They did so at last week's meeting and during a public comment period, cannabis farmers told supervisors they're on the edge of insolvency.

"I'm here to echo that things have gotten worse for cultivators and the cannabis industry in general,"

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Water and sewer rates rise in McKinleyville

Jack Durham

MAD RIVER UNION

MCKINLEYVILLE — Starting in January, water and sewer bills will increase in McKinleyville.

The rate hike was unanimously approved Nov. 2 by the McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors.

Rates will increase each year for the next five years. For a typical single-family home that uses 600 cubic feet of water per month, the combined sewer and water bill will increase by \$6.68 a month, from the current rate of \$93.63 to \$100.31 starting in January 2023.

That rate will be \$104.89 in 2024, \$110.41 in 2025, \$115.86 in 2026 and \$121.12 in 2026.

For that typical customer, the total increase over five years would be \$27.49.

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County tourism probed

Daniel Mintz

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HUMBOLDT — Tourism is a major industry in Humboldt County and the Board of Supervisors will do a "deep dive" into the county's marketing and funding for it.

The county's tourism promotion agency is the Humboldt County Visitors

Bureau, which contracted with the county in 2016 and has gotten \$2.2 million in hotel bed tax funding since.

Also promoting tourism is the Humboldt Lodging Alliance (HLA), which began managing funding from a Tourism Business Improvement District in

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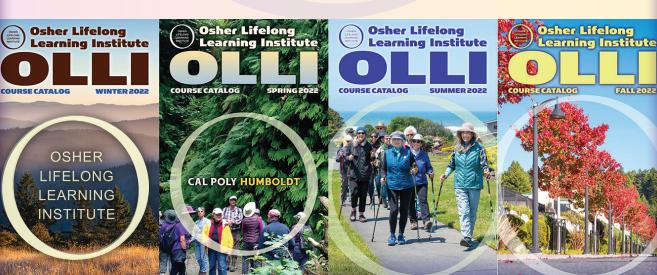
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Big meeting on paving

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — The City of Arcata is reaching out to the community for comments regarding the upcoming annual paving project.

The City of Arcata is currently working on the planning and design phase of the 2022-2023 annual paving project. Proposed improvements are related to sidewalk ADA access, restriping of bicycle facilities and other aesthetic improvements. The extents of the project area currently include the following streets:

- H Street – from Sunset Avenue to 11th Street.
- G Street – from Fifth Street to Seventh Street.

As part of the planning and design phase of the project, the Engineering department will be holding a public meeting to present the current plans for the aforementioned project areas.

The City of Arcata would like to encourage as many residents, those that own or manage businesses and even those that frequently travel along these streets in particular, to try to attend this meeting and contribute valuable feedback.

The public meeting is scheduled for Nov. 9 at 5:30 p.m. The public meeting will take place at 1301 D St., also known as the D Street Neighborhood Center.

For more information, please visit cityofarcata.org or call the Engineering Department at (707) 825-2128.

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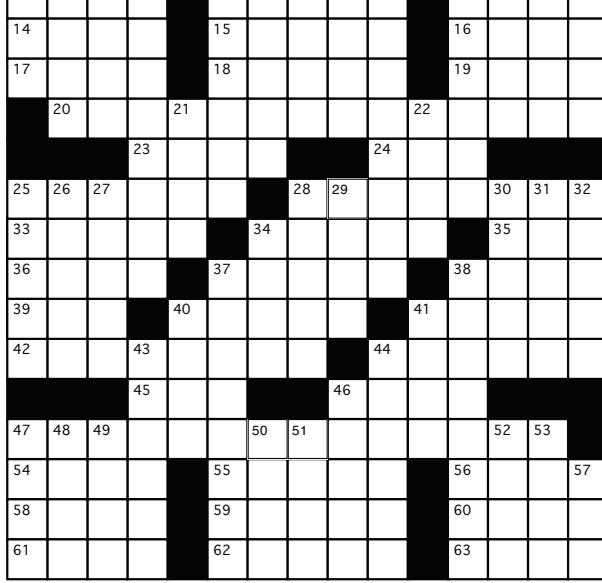
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Wednesday, Nov. 2	.15	01.24	04.97	02.53
Thursday, Nov. 3	.00	01.24	05.25	02.64
Friday, Nov. 4	.06	01.30	05.50	02.76
Saturday, Nov. 5	.70	02.00	05.79	02.88

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1. ___ a test; passed easily	1. Play division
5. Fragment	2. ITT or IBM
10. Sweet treat	3. Literary alias
14. Beverage	4. Moistened
15. Singer López	5. Short-tailed weasels
16. Translucent gem	6. Horizontal beam lifter
17. Physically fit	7. Liturgical ceremony
18. Like Cheerios	8. Once more
19. Sell on the street	9. Game involving a ball and a net
20. Country whose capital is Port Moresby	10. ___ Union
23. Ending for Jean or Paul	11. Frank
24. Prefix for paid or view	12. Hamlet, for one
25. Kidney problems	13. One who starred with Farr and Farrell
28. Undeveloped region	21. Western tribe members
33. Wishes	22. Footed containers
34. Family groups	25. Graveyard, for one
35. ___ pro nobis	26. Synagogue scroll
36. Miffed	27. Play set to music
37. Sandal	28. Dentist's advice
38. Rat-__-tat	29. Carry on
39. Opposite of close	30. Bits
40. Supportive lift	31. Muse of poetry
41. Direction in a pizza recipe	32. Prices per hour
42. Part of the brain	34. ___ En-i
44. Trunks	37. Procrastinator's word
45. Spanish gold	40. Actress Theda
46. River in Italy	41. Percussion instrument
47. Bodybuilder of note	43. Brings nearer to the ground
54. Mariner's direction	44. "In"
55. Black and lustrous	46. Put ___ to; terminate
56. Unbalanced	47. White stuff
58. Limerick writer	48. Victim of an asp
59. In an upright position	49. Mound
60. Bedtime on a school night, perhaps	50. Western writer Grey
61. Simple toys	51. Level
62. Girl in Peter Pan	52. Whitney and Wallach
63. ___ Peter the Great	53. Columnist Barrett
	57. Word with chance or cent



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CR drops its vax mandate

COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS

EUREKA — The College of the Redwoods Board of Trustees announced the end of their COVID-19 vaccine mandate at their Nov. 1 meeting.

Looking at the steep decline in COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths in the District, Governor Newsom's announcement that he will end the state's COVID-19 state of emergency on Feb. 28, 2023, and to aid in CR's continued efforts to build back enrollments, the Board of Trustees retired two policies related to CR's COVID-19 vaccine mandate — Board Policy 2900 and Administrative Policy 2900.

The Board also rescinded

Resolution 782 that directed the District leadership to require evidence of COVID-19 vaccinations for all students and employees.

The Board's actions, effective immediately, lifts the COVID vaccine mandate for students and employees. Students are no longer required to be up-to-date on their COVID-19 vaccinations in order to register for face-to-face classes.

CR recognizes that vaccinations help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and prevent serious disease. As such, the District still highly recommends that all students, faculty, and staff maintain an up-to-date vaccination status.

COVID: still a thing

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DHHS

HUMBOLDT — Humboldt County Public Health reported three new hospitalizations as of Nov. 2, including one resident in their 60s, one in their 70s and one aged 80 and older. No new deaths were reported.

An additional 52 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 were announced as well as 43 new probable cases for the period between Tuesday, Oct. 25 and Tuesday, Nov. 1. The total number of confirmed cases in the county stands at 22,311. An additional 5,349 cases are reported as probable.*

The Humboldt County COVID-19 Data Dashboard is no longer operating. Local data including testing, cases and deaths by ethnicity, gender and age has transitioned to the Humboldt County section of the California Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard. Information about weekly case counts, hospitalizations, deaths and vaccination numbers will continue to be updated through these news releases.

First Year Playgroup at D Street Neighb Center

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — Arcata Recreation will expand Arcata Play Center offerings with First Year Playgroup that kicks off on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

The First Year Playgroup provides infants and their caregivers the opportunity to play in a developmentally responsive environment specially designed for infants in their first year of life.

The First Year Playgroup meets every Tuesday from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, located at 1301 D Street in Arcata. For more information, please contact the Arcata Recreation Division at (707) 822-7091 or visit cityofarcata.org/rec.

In partnership with First 5 Humboldt, Arcata Play Center offers a year-round, safe, and comfortable environment for families to meet and share parenting and play experiences with their infants and children up to five years of age.

Play Center meets at the D Street Neighborhood Center, located at 1301 D Street in Arcata, on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. A \$3 daily drop-in donation per child is suggested, but not required to attend. For more information, call (707) 822-7091 or visit cityofarcata.org/rec.

Apply online by 11:59pm, November 13, 2022. Participates in the operation and maintenance of the wastewater treatment and disposal system, including sewer lift stations and associated appurtenances and the water distribution system. An ideal candidate is detail-oriented, known for staying calm and accurately assessing situations, and thrives in a team-oriented environment. Apply and review the full job duties at: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/arcata> or contact Arcata City Manager's Office, 736 F Street, Arcata, (707) 822-5953. EOE.

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Youth Basketball League

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — Registration for Arcata Recreation 2023 Youth Basketball League will close on Friday, Nov. 18.

The Recreation Division has extended its previous deadline by one week. Registration is open for youth between first and sixth grades.

Beginning the week of Monday, Jan. 9, teams practice one night per week (one hour per week) at the Arcata Community Center. Specific days and times will be determined by coaches. Games are played on Saturdays, Jan. 14 to March 4 (no games on Feb. 18).

Program fees are \$80 for Arcata residents and \$92.50 for non-residents. Register online at cityofarcata.org/rec.

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Scholarships covering a percentage of the activity fee are available to youth from income qualifying households. Contact the Recreation Division for more information on how to apply for the scholarship.

Become a Team Sponsor for \$300 per team. The sponsor fee assists in offsetting costs of the program including team uniforms (T-shirts with the sponsor's name). Sponsors also receive a plaque with a team picture.

All sponsorships go directly to support Arcata Youth Basketball League. Coaches are also needed!

Contact Arcata Recreation Division by email at rec@cityofarcata.org or call (707) 822-7091. For additional information visit cityofarcata.org/rec.

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The HWMA Tire Recycling Program is back!
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BASKET CASES Bella Baskets has re-emerged as Humboldt Marketplace. Located in the Food Works building in the Aldergrove Business Park, owner Patty Niskey held the ceremonial ribbon cutting last Friday afternoon. Humboldt Marketplace will ship or deliver eco-friendly gift boxes of different sizes and themes anywhere you would like, packed with the very best products Humboldt has to offer. Visit them at HumboldtMarketplace.com.

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CONVERSATION ON ALTRUISM Join professors Maral Attallah and Ronanie Swartz for the Altruistic Behavior Institute 40th Anniversary Conversation on Altruism with Shauna McCovey Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 4 p.m. in the Cal Poly Native Forum. The Altruistic Behavior Institute's 40th Anniversary Conversations on Altruism series recognizes that 2022-23 is the 40th Anniversary of the Altruistic Personality and Prosocial Behavior Institute's founding at Humboldt State University (now the Altruistic Behavior Institute at Cal Poly Humboldt).

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New solar installation proposed for Bottoms

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ARCATA BOTTOM — Some Foster Avenue residents last week received notice of a Nov. 16 online informational meeting about a large new solar installation near Sun Valley Floral Farm.

Located northwest of the intersection of Foster Avenue and Janes Road near Sun Valley Floral Farm, the 12-acre Foster Clean Power A, the first phase, involves a 3 megawatt photovoltaic facility with a 1.25 megawatt battery.

Foster Clean power B, phase 2, would see installation of an additional 4 megawatt photovoltaic panel and 3.75 megawatt battery.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Mitigated Negative Declaration, rather than an EIR, is be-

ing prepared.

The project applicant is Renewable America LLC, based in Santa Clara. Neither the company nor the landowner, Lane DeVries, immediately returned requests for more information.

The company's website lists four projects pending in Humboldt: Foster Clean Power A and B, North Mad River Clean Power, and North River Clean Power.

"Renewable America has over 235 megawatts (MW) of solar and 450 megawatt-hours (MWh) of energy storage projects under development throughout California," states the company website.

The Humboldt Planning and Building Dept. Zoom meeting takes place Wednesday, Nov. 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. The project is designated as PLN-2022-17922.

Old Arcata Road project appealed to Coastal Comm

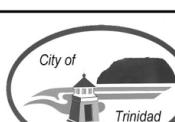
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ARCATA — Two appeals have been filed to the California Coastal Commission challenging the Old Arcata Road Rehabilitation and Pedestrian/ Bikeway Improvement Project, approved in February by the City Council.

The project is intended to improve conditions for vehicular and non-vehicular travel on a one-mile stretch of Old Arcata Road from Sunny Brae to Jacoby Creek Road.

Filed by the Bayside Cares group and by Bayside resident Marc Delany, the hybrid meeting takes place Friday, Nov. 18 at 9 a.m. as agenda item F8a. More information is available at coastal.ca.gov.

CNPS PRESENTATION The California Native Plant Society (CNPS) invites the public to a presentation, "From the Neotropics to the California Floristic Province, a journey to understand plant diversification," on Wednesday Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd., Arcata. Or visit northcoastcnps.org for a Zoom link to the presentation. Oscar Vargas, botany professor at Cal Poly Humboldt, will describe what his previous research on tropical South American plants revealed about the evolution and diversification of plant species, and will also discuss how his current work furthers our understanding of biodiversity hot spots, including those in our own bio-region. The live event is preceded by a social gathering at 7 p.m. CNPS hosts free public presentations on the second Wednesday of each month, September through May. (707) 822-2015, northcoastcnps.org



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More information can be obtained online at www.trinidad.ca.gov, or by contacting City Hall at 707-677-0223 between the hours of 9:00-3:00 pm, M-F. Send cover letter & resume to P.O. Box 390, Trinidad CA 95570, or email to cityclerk@trinidad.ca.gov. Application deadline is November 28. Position starts in December or as negotiated.

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Barney, man of mystery, is making great strides; Honey, an injury survivor with the sweetest smile

This week we're taking another look at Redwood Pals Rescue's Barney. Barney got his walking papers when the shelter reached capacity a week and a half ago. I just couldn't bring myself to put him in boarding as we've been working so hard on his obedience training and I didn't want that to fall by the wayside.

Barney is now residing in our less-than-elegant accommodations in the garage, in a crate between the bicycles and the gardening tools. He has been a very good sport as I'm pretty sure he would prefer a warm spot in the house. Unfortunately, not all of my resident dogs are on board with that idea yet.

The trade-off is now Barney gets attention, walks and yard time several times a day instead of the one short outing he could count on at the shelter. He is also meeting new people and dogs every day and learning that the outside world is a fascinating place!

Barney is just over a year old, neutered, microchipped, and current on his vaccinations. His recent DNA test indicates that he is about half German Shepherd and the other half is a hodge-podge of assorted cattle dogs and other breeds.

He is a nice compact size at about 40 to 45 pounds. He has demonstrated some impressive housetraining skills, staying in his crate from dinner to morning without a single accident!

Barney knows his name and Sit and is working on some very nice leash manners. He is very attentive to his handler and sticks close when off the leash. Barney does love to chase a toy in the yard. When his friend Rayna was at the shelter with him they would often play tug of war, usually after Barney brought a toy over to her.

We don't really know anything

about his early days. He's inexperienced around new people and dogs but is making great strides since he's been with us. He has been respectful of my old dog, fine around little dogs and females and idolizes my son's big friendly male dog, with whom he has had several romps in the field.

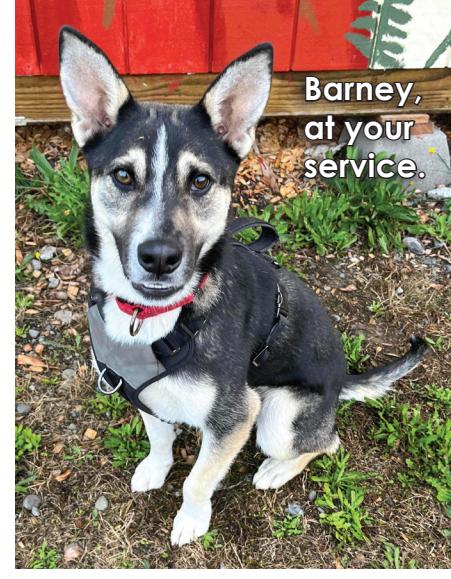
I think Barney would love to have another friendly dog to play with and to help teach him the ropes. He looks to his handler for direction so a confident human would also be a plus for him.

This little guy will make a dream companion for adventuring in the great outdoors or staying inside by the fire! He has been following a particular training method and Redwood Pals will



spring for a few lessons with the local trainers. Looking forward to seeing who will have Barney for their new best friend!

Honey is another nice little dog that Redwood Pals Rescue is helping. Honey came to Healing Spirit Animal Wellness Center with a broken leg. It was soon discovered that the owners were not interested in pursuing the care that she required and believed



it would be better to have her euthanized. That did not feel like an ethical decision for an otherwise healthy young dog and Healing Spirit reached out to us.

In a joint effort, Honey was able to have the needed surgery on her leg and is now nearing the end of her rehabilitation. When I visited her recently I couldn't even tell which leg had been injured!

Honey is a petite Queensland Heeler, about 30 pounds and one year old. She is fostered with another dog and has been spending her days at the busy office with the veterinary staff and some cat friends. Honey is a little shy with new people but warms up quickly.

Honey has a bit of an overbite that gives her quite an endearing smile! She will be spayed once her physical therapy is completed. Honey has been lucky to have a great team on her side and now she is ready to move on to her forever home.

To meet either Barney or Honey, please contact Redwood Pals by email at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or by voicemail (leave a message!) at (707) 633-8842.

Cannatax | Two-year break

FROM PAGE 1

said Karla Knappe of Honeydew Valley Farms. Like other farmers, she asked for suspension of the excise tax.

She said payment for her farm's cannabis dipped to a low of \$263 a pound last year and it bottomed out at \$200 last month. The break-even threshold for her farm is \$375 a pound, Knappe continued, and the farm's workforce has dropped from 19 to 10 employees.

Ross Gordon, the policy director for the Humboldt County Growers Alliance said an alliance survey showed that 65 percent of the county's farms are selling cannabis for less money than it takes to produce it.

The county will "lose a number of farms because of these current market conditions," he continued. "The

reality is that it's not sustainable for a lot of these folks."

There's potential for progress with brand development and marketing, and legislative advances on direct to consumer sales and the opening of interstate commerce, Ross said. But he described Measure S as a tax that needs to be eliminated.

Supervisor Rex Bohn, who pushed for a full suspension of the tax last year, said he supports a total reduction even though "it costs us money."

In a presentation, Chief Financial Officer Tabitha Miller reported on Measure S billing and revenue.

Measure S taxes for the 2020 cultivation year were billed in 2021 and the county got \$11.6 million, with another \$8.1 million owed.

The 85 percent reduc-

tion went into effect for the 2022 tax year and \$1.5 million was collected, with \$1.7 million owed.

Miller said more was actually collected because 18 taxpayers mistakenly paid the full amount and the overages will be refunded.

Supervisors supported a suspension but Supervisor Mike Wilson has doubts.

Cannabis farmers accepted Measure S but "ultimately it was the rest of the community that voted to do it," he said, adding that those who voted for the measure are "ultimately the constituency we are answering to" and overall public support for a suspension hasn't been shown.

But the rest of the board — minus Supervisor Michelle Bushnell, who recused herself because of being a cannabis cultivator herself — supported a two-year suspension, which was approved in a majority vote for a package

of Measure S actions.

In addition to approval of the suspension, outstanding tax payments are deferred to October of 2023. Penalties for payments not made by an October 15, 2022 deadline are waived.

The board's discussion included consideration of increasing Measure S's share of revenue for programs that assist the cannabis industry. But supervisors don't have the authority to do that.

The Measure S taxation can be reduced but an increase in the tax, changes in its structure and divvying of revenue shares or its elimination would require another election vote.

Wilson's recommendation to explore potential for a new ballot measure to replace Measure S was part of the board's package of approvals. But he voted against it due to disagreeing with the two-year suspension.

bold cannabis farm questioned the bureau's divvying of funding to gateway communities and recommended that tourism marketing groups "include cannabis organizations focused on regional marketing."

The public comment period also included praise for the tourism agencies but supervisors agreed that an evaluation of tourism marketing needs to be done.

"It's clear that there hasn't been a lot of deep dive into this for a long time," said Supervisor Michelle Bushnell, adding that there's been "a shortness of funding."

Supervisor Mike Wilson said he's heard concerns about administration of Tourism Business Improvement District funding.

"There has been a lot of concerns in relation to the transparency of how that money's being spent — or not spent," he continued. "I think there is a need to really look at that so there is equity."

Supervisors voted to appoint Bushnell and Supervisor Steve Madrone to an ad hoc committee that will review the county's tourism agency contracts for "compliance and scope" as well as their funding and spending.

The committee will also "provide recommendations for a comprehensive and collaborative marketing assessment," including a "re-evaluation of current marketing practices."

Tourism | FROM PAGE 1

2017. Since then, the funding — drawn from a hotel room fee — has amounted to \$2.2 million.

At the Oct. 25 supervisors meeting, there were extensive presentations and some debate on the use and transparency of the funding.

In the bureau's presentation, the county's funding was described as an investment that's getting good returns.

The bureau got \$205,000 from the county in the 2021 to 2022 fiscal year. That's less than the tourism marketing budgets of Mendocino and Del Norte counties, \$1.7 million and \$210,000 respectively.

Julie Benbow, the bureau's executive director, said Humboldt's tourism industry revenue is the largest of the three counties when figured by area and population. In pre-pandemic 2019, Humboldt's revenue was \$483.7 million.

In spite of the greater investments, Mendocino County's revenue was only slightly higher at \$484 million and Del Norte's was about \$105,000.

Benbow highlighted the bureau's media outreach efforts and recent write-ups, including features in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Fodor's Travel* and *Good Housekeeping*.

But in 2019, City of Eureka decided to end its contract with the bureau and

switch to a private tourism marketing firm. Eureka City Manager Miles Slattery told supervisors that over the last two years, the city has seen "record" hotel bed tax revenue and this year is on track to be a record-setter as well.

Chris Ambrosini, the HLA's board chair, said the alliance has "played a major role in the growth and sustainability of our county's tourism industry."

The HLA and the Eureka and Arcata lodging alliances together contributed \$1.7 million to one of the county's biggest attractions, the Sequoia Park Zoo's Redwood Sky Walk.

But during a public comment period, there was some doubt about the county's tourism strategies and equitability of its funding.

Natalynne DeLapp, who is executive director of the Humboldt County Growers Alliance, described tourism as being underfunded by the county.

"What we are doing is de facto funding the Humboldt Lodging Alliance, which is an oligarchy to support our tourism resources," she continued, describing the alliance as a "self-funded and self-serving organization."

She said the cannabis industry has asked to be included in the bureau's tourism marketing and "we have been pushed aside." She noted Eureka's success since hiring a tourism marketing firm and recommended the county consider doing the same.

Linsey Jones of the Aloha Hum-

Russian Army-esque Bottoms washer rustling meets ignominious Manila end

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ARCATA BOTTOM — On Thursday, Nov. 3 at about 8:39 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a residence on the 2500 block of Vaissade Road, in the county jurisdiction of Arcata, for the report of a burglary.

According to the reporting party, a suspect vehicle had been observed leaving the unoccupied residence with a stolen washing machine. The vehicle was reportedly last seen fleeing westbound toward Manila. Deputies patrolled the Manila area and located the suspect vehicle parked along Peninsula Drive near Darin Road.

Deputies contacted and detained two male occupants of the vehicle, 57-year-old Darren Lee Carter and 37-year-old Eric Christopher Chambers. The washing machine and a stolen pull chain were recovered from the vehicle.

Chambers was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on charges of burglary and violation of probation.

Carter was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on charges of burglary.

Not quite the shroomfest the mycological society folks wanted

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BLUE LAKE — On Monday, Oct. 31 at about 11:08 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a residence on the 2400 block of Glendale Drive in Blue Lake for the report of a disturbance.

Upon arrival at the residence, deputies located an agitated 19-year-old male vandalizing a residence and exhibiting signs of being under the influence of a controlled substance. The male, who reportedly had consumed psychedelic mushrooms and other substances earlier in the evening, became aggressive upon deputy contact, vandalizing a patrol vehicle then charging toward a responding deputy. Deputies intercepted the male and detained him utilizing control holds. No one was injured as a result of the detention.

Due to his state of intoxication and self-inflicted injuries, the male was transported to a local hospital for medical attention. This case is being submitted to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office for review and prosecution.

What's this about a 'leaded cane'?

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SAMOA — On Sunday, Oct. 30 at about 10 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies on patrol in the Samoa area observed a suspicious occupied vehicle parked along Vance Avenue.

Deputies initiated an investigation into the vehicle and contacted two occupants, 37-year-old Quentin Laone Bell and 37-year-old Bianca Cassandra Welton. Bell initially gave deputies a false name.

However, upon proper identification, deputies learned that Bell had outstanding warrants for his arrest. Welton was also found to have outstanding warrants. During a search of Bell Welton, and the vehicle incident to arrest, deputies located approximately 9 grams of methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia and suspected fentanyl.

Bell was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on charges of possession of a controlled substance and false identification to a peace officer, in addition to warrant charges of possession of a leaded cane [Note: a "leaded cane" means a staff, crutch, stick, rod, pole, or similar device, unnaturally weighted with lead. —Ed.], violation of probation and inflicting corporal injury on a spouse.

Due to medical concerns, Welton was cited and released on charges of possession of a narcotic controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance paraphernalia and violation of probation.

Funyuns-based clash hospitalizes two, then more fighty-folly ensues

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WILLOW CREEK — On Saturday, Oct. 29 at about 8:26 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a local hospital for the report of an assault that had occurred earlier that evening in the Willow Creek area.

At the hospital, deputies contacted a 22-year-old male victim, who was being treated for moderate injuries, and the suspect, 23-year-old Dante Blade Rhoades, who was being detained by Arcata Police Department officers.

During their investigation, deputies learned that the victim was working at a gas sta-

tion on the 39000 block of State Highway 299 when he observed Rhoades shoplift from the store.

The victim reportedly confronted Rhoades about the shoplifting and a physical altercation occurred between the two.

Following the assault, Rhoades and the victim were transported separately to the hospital.

At the hospital, Rhoades reportedly began causing a disturbance, prompting law enforcement response.

Rhoades was arrested and booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on charges of battery with serious bodily injury.



Dante Blade Rhoades

Bushnell & Bohn asked to curb rhetorical excess

Daniel Mintz
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — County supervisor Michelle Bushnell was "overly confrontational" with a county planner during a meeting about a cannabis permit, an investigation has found, but the Board of Supervisors stopped short of reprimanding her.

The findings of a third party probe into Bushnell's conduct were fielded by the board at its Nov. 1 meeting.

Of a number of allegations related to a Dec. 29, 2021 meeting between Bushnell, a representative of a cannabis permit applicant, the planner and Planning Director John Ford, one was confirmed — that Bushnell violated the board's code of conduct by "mistreating" the planner.

The investigation found that although the planner's own behavior "played a large role in provoking Bushnell and created an awkward and hostile tone," Bushnell "reacted combatively to the employee, which escalated the tension at the meeting to the point where Bushnell left the room."

Supervisor Steve Madrone said an official reprimand from the board isn't necessary because, as noted in the investigation summary, Bushnell has acknowledged her misconduct, participated in mediation and strived to "correct her own behavior."



Michelle Bushnell

During a public comment, a man who identified himself as a member of the county employees union said he's witnessed Bushnell being "hostile" to county staff several times. He referenced a federal report on the impacts of "toxic workplaces."

He also requested that Supervisor Rex Bohn "not use language like 'cocksucker' in the company of county staff."

The cannabis compliance consultant who was at the late 2021 meeting also spoke.

She didn't give her name and said she often asks Bushnell to be at meetings with the Planning Department because "applicants are often treated as though they are guilty and need to prove their innocence."

She said she wasn't interviewed for the investigation and the planner at the meeting was "agitated and dismissive when I disagreed with her."

Bushnell emphasized that of several allegations made, only the one was sustained.

Bohn didn't directly respond to the offensive language claim but when he said "all the allegations today were discussed in (the Bushnell) investigation and another investigation," Human Resources Director Zachary O'Hanen affirmed it.

Aside from the finding, the Bushnell probe's contents will be kept confidential.

Humboldt Bay Trail North gets mileage markers

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA — The City of Arcata Environmental Services will be painting trail mileage markers on the Humboldt Bay Trail North.

Starting at Foster Avenue at the northern terminus of the Humboldt Bay Trail through town, mileage markers will appear every tenth of a mile allowing trail users to orient their whereabouts.

Mileage markers will assist trail users to identify their location for emergency services, trail service requests and tracking of distance traveled.

Mileage markers will end at the southern point of the Humboldt Bay Trail North, referred to locally as Two Rocks. Complete trail mileage for this stretch is four miles.

Once the Humboldt Bay Trail

Humboldt Bay Trail North gets mileage markers

MARKED Humboldt Bay Trail North winding through the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary.

Submitted photo
County of Humboldt, Great Redwood Trail Agency, California Coastal Conservancy, and many other entities.

For more information on the Humboldt Bay Trail visit humboldtgov.org/1923/Humboldt-Bay-Trail or call City of Arcata Environmental Services at (707) 822-8184.

Poodles | 'Bloodthirsty, crazed' fuzzy faces

FROM PAGE 1

my life when I looked up and saw that it was a person who was biting me. I screamed to stop and he did," Burleson said. Burleson said that Mallatt later told her that he thought he was biting one of his dogs.

As the attack continued, an unidentified woman walked over, reached into the snarling pack and pulled out Emma. "She became an angel at that moment," Burleson said.

"I wish I could locate the person who lifted Emma up from that pack of bloodthirsty, crazed dogs," Burleson said. "It was a miracle. As she lifted Emma up, the dogs were jumping and tearing at her flesh and fur."

Emma received severe wounds and was rushed to Sunny Brae Animal Clinic in Arcata, where Dr. Tami Reynolds performed emergency surgery.

The attack was first reported by Trinidad resident Ted Pease on the Nextdoor social media site.

"The lacerations and puncture wounds from the poodles' attack are extensive and deep. Emma is still fighting for her life, and not out of the woods yet. We have photos of her injuries, but they are too awful to include here," Pease wrote.

"Emma is healing, slowly, as her wounds are very severe," Burleson said. She was scheduled to return to the vet early this week for additional treatment.

Emma is a well-known dog, having worked as a service animal at Mad River Community Hospital prior to the pandemic.

This isn't the first time Mallatt's dogs have attacked other dogs. Several people on Nextdoor commented about incidents with the poodles.

"This is a warning to those who see a car crammed with fuzzy poodle faces," Pease wrote. "They are cute, but can be very aggressive (and how humane is it to load eight or more dogs into such a small vehicle?). As Emma's attack demonstrated, these dogs can be dangerous to other dogs, humans or, God forbid, children."

An email was sent to Mallatt Monday morning, but the *Union* did not receive a response before going to press.

Mallatt lives in Klamath in Del Norte County and has a website, critters4service.com. Under "About us," the website states "Located in northern California and trained by Frank Mallatt, our task-trained service dogs are placed with children at little to no cost through the help of donations and volunteers."

The website, which includes a video of a pack of poodles, states "Service dogs can help children and adults better connect with the world. Our dogs help teach self responsibility, help them gain independence, and act as a source of calm and a social bridge to their peers."

Burleson said she would appreciate receiving information about Mallatt's dogs and previous attacks. Email jack@madriverunion.com and the information will be forwarded to her.

Healthcare hub | 'Investment in our region'

FROM PAGE 1

Redwoods nursing program, and now we're launching the Healthcare Education Hub, which will become the epicenter of healthcare career training for our region," McGuire says. "This \$10 million will help build out the most modern healthcare learning lab between the Golden Gate Bridge and the Oregon border and will train thousands of healthcare professionals, from multiple career tracks, in the years to come."

The Health Care Education Hub will be used to train health professionals such as nurses, psychiatric technicians, EMTs, scrub technicians, respiratory therapists, radiology technicians, and more.

"We are very aware that our future depends on a strong partnership between College of the Redwoods, Cal Poly Humboldt, Senator McGuire, and our community partners," Flamer says. "We clearly understand that we

can better help all students on the North Coast by working together rather than separately. This Healthcare Education Hub is another example of what we can do if we dream and work together."

"We're grateful to Senator McGuire for his commitment to deliver on the healthcare needs of the North Coast," Jackson says. "We're looking forward to collaborating with College of the Redwoods to transform this building into a center where the next generation of health care professionals will be educated. This investment in CR is also an investment in our region—one that will help our entire healthcare system become more resilient while providing new opportunities for students and professionals."



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Whether or not North Trinidad residents want water was discussed at the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors meeting last week. The North Trinidad community opinion is split on the water issue. Some residents fear that if water is piped in, the area's population will grow and the environment will change drastically. Other residents, many of whom are business owners, believe it is necessary to have water supplied not only for drinking, but for fighting fires. —Arcata Union, Nov. 15, 1973

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SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Enrollment in Arcata break camps is now open

CITY OF ARCATA ARCATA — Enrollment for youth camps during Thanksgiving and winter break is open now!

Arcata Recreation offers camp during school breaks.

Join the Recreation team for three days during Thanksgiving Week, Monday, Nov. 21 through Wednesday, Nov. 23 and two full weeks at winter break Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 30 and again Monday, Jan. 2 through Friday, Jan. 6.

Kindergarteners through fifth graders will enjoy arts and crafts, group activities and free play at the Arcata Community Center. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with early drop-off at 8 a.m. and late pickup at 5:30 p.m. for no extra charge.

Thanksgiving Camp fees are \$102 (non-Arcata residents add \$12.50) and Winter Camp fees \$170 per week (non-Arcata residents add \$12.50).

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Finally, the Arcata Ridge Trail is complete – ribbon cutting is Saturday

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata invites residents to celebrate the completion of the Arcata Ridge Trail at a ribbon cutting ceremony in Sunny Brae Forest on Saturday, Nov. 12 at noon.

The Arcata Ridge Trail has been a city and community priority for over a decade, and its completion marks a monumental achievement in connecting the main tract of the Arcata Community Forest with the Sunny Brae Forest Tract. The Arcata Ridge Trail now provides hikers, equestrians and bicyclists the opportunity to traverse on a multi-use trail between the South Fork Janes Creek Trailhead on West End Road, to Margaret Lane in Sunny Brae.

The Fickle Hill Road trail crossing will not serve as a trailhead but rather a vital connection along this 4.5 mile trail between West End Road and Margaret Lane in Sunny Brae. Parking or temporary stopping of vehicles near the Fickle Hill crossing will not be permitted. There is sufficient parking near the West End Road and Margaret Lane trailheads to accommodate Arcata Ridge Trail users. There are also trailheads on Diamond Drive and California Drive to access the Arcata Ridge Trail at a higher elevation.

Planning for the Arcata Ridge Trail began back in the mid-2000s. The city and community partners worked together to acquire the properties that would later become the Sunny Brae Forest Tract of the Arcata Community Forest and the West End Road trailhead. Earlier stages of the Ridge



Trail development were funded by donations to the Arcata Forest Fund and participation in events such as Bat 'N' Rouge and the Arcata Ridge Trail Festival – all of which saw tremendous community support.

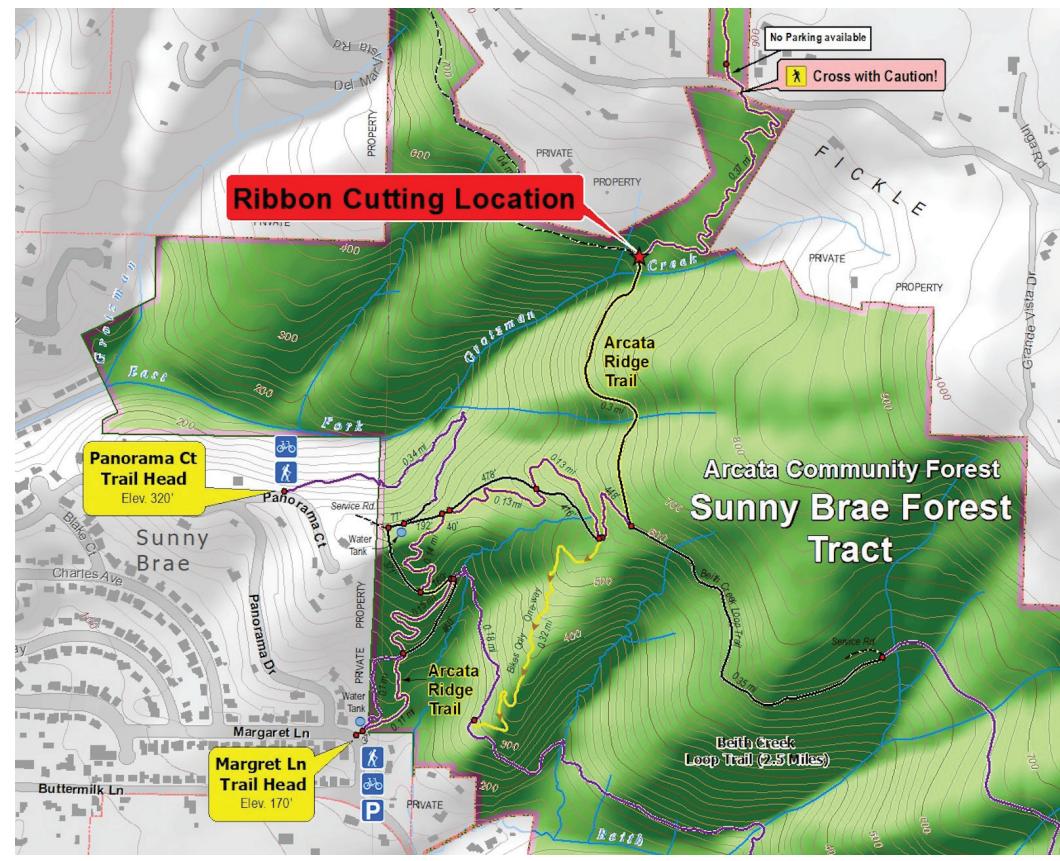
Funding for the Ridge Trail crossing of Fickle Hill Road and the final trail segment was provided through the Open Space, Parks & Trails Special Tax, a measure approved by Arcata voters in 2020 to support acquisition, improvements and maintenance of the city's open space, parks, forests and trails.

City crews have led the development of the Ridge Trail through the Arcata Community Forest including this final segment in the Sunny Brae Forest

with support from the Humboldt Trails Council Volunteer Trail Stewards.

Humboldt County Public Works has been a partner for the road crossing improvements, and GR Sundberg Inc. served as the contractor for these crossing improvements on Fickle Hill Road. City crews will continue to maintain and improve all segments of the Ridge Trail.

The ribbon cutting ceremony will take place at noon at the southern end of the new trail segment within the Sunny Brae Forest, near the crossing of Grotzman Creek. Those interested in joining for the ribbon cutting may walk the 0.8 mile length from the Margaret Lane Trailhead. City staff will lead informal walks up to the ribbon cutting location from Margaret Lane at 11 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Maps for the Arcata Ridge Trail can be found on the City's website and through the



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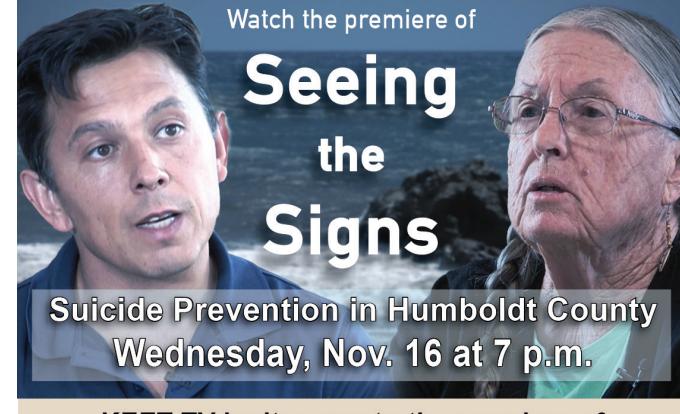
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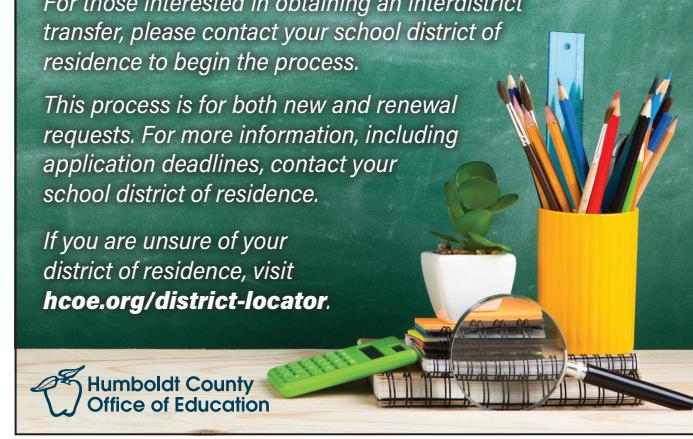
**A message to families about
INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE**

Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year has begun.

For those interested in obtaining an interdistrict transfer, please contact your school district of residence to begin the process.

This process is for both new and renewal requests. For more information, including application deadlines, contact your school district of residence.

If you are unsure of your district of residence, visit hcoe.org/district-locator.



**Mensaje a las familias sobre
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La inscripción para el año escolar 2023-2024 ha comenzado.

Si está interesado en obtener una transferencia interdistrital, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia para comenzar el proceso.

Este proceso es tanto para solicitudes nuevas como de renovación. Para obtener más información, por ejemplo, sobre los plazos de solicitud, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia.

Si no está seguro de conocer su distrito de residencia, consulte en hcoe.org/district-locator.



Honoring the memories of those unsung heroes who served

November 11, 2022 is Veterans Day, or what was called Armistice Day after World War I ended at 11 a.m. on November 11, 1918.

There was an exhibit in 2018, the centennial of the Great War, at Trinidad Museum honoring Trinidad veterans who volunteered for military service, many of whom trained in Fort Lewis, Washington, the base that was organized for training when President Wilson announced the engagement of the United States in the war in April 1917.

One veteran, John Martin, was not included in the exhibit. Trinidad Museum learned of this veteran when Carol Graham of Arcata recently donated family archives to the museum.

An article from a June 1935 article in the *Humboldt Standard* called "Greater Love Hath No Man" and written by "W.N.S."

was part of the collection.

"John Martin was buried with military honors at Trinidad Thursday and the whole country-side turned out to do honor to his memory. Why? Because this same John Martin was one of the unsung heroes of modern times. He answered the call when another life was in danger and braving the elements did his best to save one whom he did not know, or if he did it was only a slight acquaintance. That made no difference to John Martin. He had been schooled in the hard experiences of warfare for he was a veteran of the world war and when a call came for some one to go out in a boat and attempt to release Dr. Howatt from the rock in the rough Pacific Ocean, John

didn't stop to ask questions. He lost no time and did his best.

"But he, too, lost his life and those who knew him are now telling of his many deeds of kindness and of his never failing desire to do someone a good turn, all this in spite of the fact that he was carrying the scars of battle and was dependent upon friends for his livelihood. There's a tragic story back of John Martin. He was engaged in one of the

principal battles of the world war and those of his company, who knew him thought he was out there in No Man's Land never to return. But he had been taken terribly wounded to a base hospital and there nursed back to a semblance of his former self. Here's the real tragedy, however.

He had lost his enlistment papers and could not identify himself as John Martin for he was shell shocked. Try as he would, assisted by his buddies as far as they could possibly go, he was, I am told, refused recognition as a world war participant and in spite of his wounds has had no assistance from the government. In his dire need he was taken in by Mrs. Harrington* of Trinidad and given a comfortable home and permitted to share whatever the home possessed.

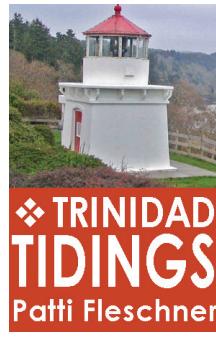
"Truly here are two great heroes, John Martin and Mrs. Harrington deserved the finest that can be bestowed upon them. But John is gone. However, Mrs. Harrington is still here and there should be some way to reimburse her for the very great sacrifice she has made to give John Martin a good home and plenty to eat. I'd like to be rich in money. I'd sure

see to it that such merit is rewarded and rewarded liberally."

*Mrs. Harrington, who died in 1937 and is also buried in Trinidad Cemetery, was the wife of Capt. Fred Harrington, Trinidad Head lighthouse keeper from 1888-1916. When he died, Josephine Harrington lived at Parker and Trinity Street in the Ocean View Hotel (today's Eatery) and she was known to be kind and generous to many when she served as Capt. Harrington's "second in command" at the lighthouse and during the 21 years after Capt. Harrington's death.

On Veterans Day, we salute John Martin, the Harringtons, and all veterans who have served in the United States armed services on Veterans Day.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.



The adorable antics and requirements of our tiny friend, the hummingbird

I'm guessing, but I bet no one dislikes hummingbirds. Just the idea that they weigh as little as a penny and can flap their wings about 70 times per second is almost beyond belief. It is the flapping of their wings that gives them their name. The hum is very distinctive!

Besides their size and speed, their colors are amazing. They are iridescent. And they can fly backwards.

In mating, each species performs original aerial dances to impress their intended mate. The males fly very high and as they descend, they often engage in twists and twirls. Often a "tick" sound is heard as they dive earthward. The sound is made by adjusting their tail feathers as the wind rushes by.

These tiny birds are unique to the "New World." There are 20 species that have been seen in the United States. A large number are those seen at the border of Mexico. In Humboldt, we commonly have three species. However, I recall having seen a rare migrant (violet-crowned) from southern Arizona in the Trinidad area.

We are lucky to have a year-round resident, the Anna's hummingbird. The male has a red throat (or gorget) and a red cap. The feathers on the gorget can be spread out to catch the light and entice females. The Rufous hummer has a red gorget with an orange glow and they pass through as they travel farther north, even to Alaska, to nest. The Allen's hummingbird migrates in and out of Humboldt. They come here to breed



BIRD BRAINS
Louise
Bacon-Ogden

and leave in the fall.

Hummers use spider web disguised with gray-green lichen to make a quarter-sized nest for their two "jelly belly" sized eggs. After hatching and as the babies grow, the webbed nest can actually stretch to accommodate the growing nestlings.

When the babies fledge, they are plumed in gray-green feathers like the female. This color blends perfectly with much of the lichen color in the forest. The red throat and head patches come later.

All hummers have long beaks and tongues so they can lap nectar from tubular flowers. However, hummers do not live on nectar alone. Often, inside of flowers, are tiny bugs and gnats. This provides them with protein.

Hummingbirds have a symbiotic relationship with sapsuckers. These woodpeckers make tiny ovals through the bark of trees. In turn, the trees make sap to "heal" the wound. Sapsuckers return to their handywork for a nice drink of sweet sap. In between, hummingbirds also come to the sapsucker wells for a drink. Also, both bird species also benefit from tiny insects attracted to the sap. Often they get stuck in the sticky goo, thereby supplying extra protein for both birds.

You can get acquainted with these jeweled wonders in two ways. The easiest is to plant nectar rich flowers. Fuchsia species are easy to grow, even in hanging baskets on a porch or balcony. Penstemon and sag-



es are some favorites. Red, pink and purple flowers are most attractive. My personal favorite is the Mexican sage. It makes long stems of velvety purple flowers that are long blooming, providing nectar during most of the winter.

Hummingbird feeders are very popular. In my opinion, the "flying saucer" shaped feeders are the best. They are easy to fill and clean. They can hang or post mount and have a water well in the center to keep ants out. Some feed ports have "nipples" at the feed ports to exclude gnats. A teeny tiny brush (maybe stores have them or buy dental brushes) will keep the port holes clean. Cleanliness is very important for the health of the birds.

You can purchase nectar. However, I recommend making your own. Use 3 to 4 parts boiling water to one part sugar. NO red coloring! The boiling helps retard fermentation. Too much sugar is not good. NEV-

ER use honey. It can cause a fungus on the bird's tongue and kill them.

To keep the nectar fresh, use boiling water. Do not hang the feeder in strong sun. After a while the liquid will ferment and the hummers will not drink it. Make sure you get a feeder that can be easily opened for thorough cleaning. You must insure mold is not growing. Special mops and brushes will help clean the nooks and crannies. A glass feeder can be put into a dishwasher for good cleaning.

If the nectar sits too long, it will be ignored. Hummers are so territorial and ferocious defenders of their food source. It is best to have a few small (or less filled) feeders out to insure that the "owner" will be able to consume fresh nectar. That will also keep him coming back. Don't be surprised if you are buzzed and dive-bombed when you attempt refilling the feeder.

Also, do not buy into the story that you HAVE to take down the feeders or the birds will not migrate. Some have even touted a date (yet I know birds cannot read calendars). Birds migrate on their own time table. Some migrate and some don't. In fact, Mom and Dad decide, "It's time to go!" They take off and leave the babies to fend for themselves. Don't worry, Nature tells them when and where to go!

Lastly, I have no idea where this bit of information came from, BUT hummingbirds do NOT hitch rides on the backs of geese to get south! In reality, they FLY! So, keep your feeders up and the birds will thank you with their acrobatics and brilliant iridescent colors.

KEET-TV offers lifesaving suicide awareness in discussion, documentary

'Facing Suicide' screening

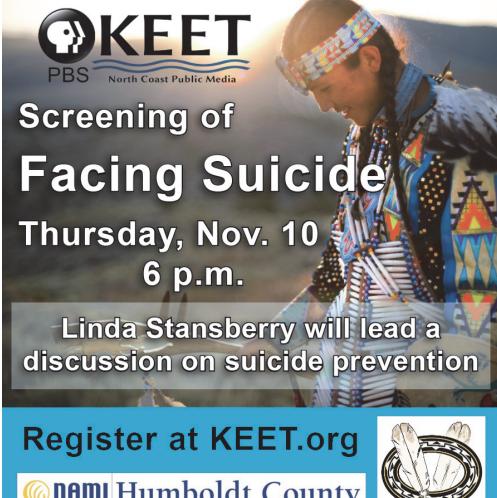
KEET-TV

HUMBOLDT — KEET-TV invites you to an online screening a panel discussion of the half-hour film *Facing Suicide* on Thursday, Nov. 10 online at 6 p.m. Journalist, film producer, and director, Linda Stansberry will lead a discussion with Lea Nagy, president of the National Alliance of Mental Illness of Humboldt (NAMI), Rob England with United Indian Health Services, and others working to prevent suicide. You can go to KEET.org to register.

Each year, tens of thousands of Americans take their own lives—there were more than 45,000 deaths by suicide in 2020 alone—and many more have thoughts of suicide. *Facing Suicide*, a new documentary and impact campaign from Twin Cities PBS explores the stories of Americans impacted by suicide, and journeys to the frontlines of medical and scientific research to meet those who are working to help people at risk. Timely and informative, the project aims to elevate and destigmatize the topic of suicide, empowering audiences and communities with prevention strategies.

At its center is *Facing Suicide*, a compelling documentary narrated by Josh Charles (*The Good Wife*). The film shares the deeply personal stories of those directly affected by suicide and insights from experts and researchers who are making a difference. A companion digital series, released on the PBS YouTube channel, works to create a space of understanding, hope, and action for young people whose lives have been touched by suicide. In addition, PBS stations in 10 states around the country will provide local coverage and resources to engage their communities around this critical public health issue.

"Suicide touches virtually every demographic group in the U.S., and rates have increased significantly since the late 1990s," said Michael Rosenfeld, project lead and executive producer of the *Facing Suicide* documentary. "But experts have learned a



lot about suicide in the past few years, offering insights that suggest new strategies for prevention. We explore the latest discoveries in our film, woven together with inspiring stories of hope and recovery."

"Our mission at PBS is to serve communities with the stories and programs that help drive dialogues and engagement around critical issues impacting the nation," said Bill Gardner, vice president, multiple platform programming and development at PBS. "*Facing Suicide* is a program we believe will accomplish this as its subject is pertinent as our nation addresses an unprecedented mental health crisis. To help, we are also distributing content from this program across multiple platforms, including PBS Digital Studios, to reach various audiences with customized content."

"One of the best ways to prevent suicide is to promote awareness and equip friends and family to take appropriate action to help those in need," said Kathryn Washington, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB)'s senior vice president of television content. "By funding the documentary and grants to PBS stations to create suicide prevention initiatives, we hope to destigmatize the topic of suicide and engage and support communities around this critical public health issue."

'Seeing the Signs' premiere

KEET-TV

HUMBOLDT — KEET-TV presents the premiere of its documentary, *Seeing the Signs: Suicide Prevention in Humboldt County* on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Jefferson Community Center in Eureka.

Local journalist, film producer and director Linda Stansberry will lead a community discussion with mental health professionals and others affected by suicide. Register at SeeingtheSigns.eventbrite.com.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2020, an estimated 12.2 million U.S. adults had thoughts of suicide, 3.2 million made a plan, and 1.2 million attempted suicide.

According to the California Department of Public Health-Injury and Violence Branch (IVB), from 2018 to 2020, Humboldt County had the fifth highest rate of death by suicide out of 44 counties. *Seeing the Signs* highlights stories from two families in Humboldt County. You will hear from a mother and daughter as they discuss their efforts to get help while in a crisis. They share their frustrating and time-consuming struggle to access appropriate services. The second story focuses on a sister living with the loss of her brother to suicide and the efforts his family desperately made to help him. Now they live with their grief and wonder why it happened.

The film presents mental health experts Lea Nagy, president of the National Alliance of Mental Illness of Humboldt (NAMI), and Dr. Virgil Moorehead, Jr., executive director of Two Feathers Native American Family Services. They help viewers understand the risk factors and



complexities of suicidal behavior and methods to address someone during a mental health situation.

Film producer and director Linda Stansberry shares her experience in creating this documentary. "In the course of making *Seeing the Signs*, I was privileged to meet some of the strongest, smartest, and most persistent people in Humboldt County. Whether we spoke at a kitchen table or in a conference room, my interviewees showed me the true meaning of resilience and hope. Our community is truly amazing, and I am proud to be part of this ongoing effort to support my neighbors, destigmatize suicide and fight for equitable access to mental healthcare."

KEET-TV invites you to the Jefferson Community Center at 1000 B St. in Eureka for the premiere of *Seeing the Signs: Suicide Prevention in Humboldt County* and encourages the community to participate in a discussion of suicide prevention. This event is free and will be filmed and streamed live on YouTube.

Please register at SeeingtheSigns.eventbrite.com and go to KEET.org for more details.

If you or someone you know is in a mental health crisis, please dial 988 and speak with a trained specialist.

OPINION

❖ Sign your letter to the *Mad River Union* with a real name and a city of origin, plus a phone number (which won't be published) for identity verification and send it to opinion@madriverunion.com. Also, make paragraphs, spell check and don't capitalize random words like it's the 1870s.

Questions, answers, memories and expired medication

Proposal poses questions

An open letter to Lane DeVries of Sun Valley Floral Farm:

We have just learned of a proposed 18-acre solar project you and your investors will introduce at a public meeting November 16 (via Zoom) planned on your property where Janes Road and Foster Avenue intersect on the Arcata Bottom.

We have hopes that your widely appreciated Sun Valley Floral Farm flower business will benefit from this project, but since the Board of Supervisors placed additional conditions on the project that you proposed last year, we now wonder if you and the southern California Renewable America Energy, LLC, have plans for a re-introduction of the cannabis farm with the Foster Clean Power Project A&B as an initial step toward refining that earlier goal.

Who benefits from your project? Will community homeowner/ratepayers gain anything from such an enormous project? In what ways will the community have connection to this large-scale solar project, if any?

At the outset of this proposal, can you explain to the community and especially those who will be directly affected by the construction what benefits will accrue with the introduction of a "3-megawatt alternating current photovoltaic solar energy facility with associated inverters, fencing and access road" to connect Foster Avenue to an agricultural road located to the south and east perimeters of the project site on your property?

We have polled our neighbors along Foster Avenue and it seems doubtful that those close to the proposed project have received notice; therefore, we hope to hear more about your plans directly from you.

Questions about the project may be directed to Humboldt Co. Senior Planner Rodney Yandell at (707) 445-7541 or ryandell@co.humboldt.ca.us.

Sincerely,
Don Nielsen and Carol McFarland
Arcata Bottom

A promise is a promise

When was the last time anyone has seen a published report from any of the oversight committees established to report to the voters as to how the tax and bond measures monies are being spent?

A promise what was given at the time the measures were passed, that oversight committees would publish reports to assure the monies were being spent responsibly.

I do not recall seeing any reports, and as I for one would like to know where the revenue generated by these measures is going. A promise is a promise.

Scott R. Baker
McKinleyville

❖ LETTERS

The heinous hammer

The heinous hammer attack on Nancy Pelosi's 81-year-old husband in their home proves one thing.

What the vaunted power-suckers, otherwise known as fascists, want is a pre-20th century status quo where women and minorities knew their place was enslavement under the heel of those who believe power over is a winning hand and winner takes all.

Even a semblance of democracy is a struggle to maintain, but we cannot give up if humanity and our very planet is to have any hope of survival and finding healing balance.

Margo Gross
Arcata

Political discourse?

This is a term that typically refers to a dialog between parties of differing opinions. But lately it has come to mean violence and thuggery.

What kind of dialogue involves beating an 82-year-old man in the head with a hammer? The MAGA generated, Trump anointed, Q-Anon based political action has come to San Francisco.

Love or hate Nancy Pelosi, there is no reason to assault either her or her husband.

Should there have been better protection? What about personal alarms on the property itself?

They live in one of the tonier parts of the City and you would expect there to be some sort of alarms or monitoring. Maybe Paul just wanted to enjoy a cup of coffee on his patio in the morning fall sun. Maybe Paul does not think he has to live like a prisoner. Maybe it is just good manners to knock on the front door.

Aside from the snarky comments of ultra-right-wing yahoos I found the most telling information from a relative of David DePape. Once the assailants name was known, so called journalist ran around trying to get information from any of his nearest and dearest. One of David's cousins stated that these actions were not like him, but maybe it was just a hoax.

I guess that is the party line. It is just a HOAX. From Republicans tripping over themselves to sound shocked and concerned to the basest among the party figuring out ways to say Paul deserved the beating.

I never advocate for violence but understand the urge to fight back.

If this was just a hoax, I invite people to go to Mar-a-Lago where an Orange Haired Septuagenarian lives and try to beat him to death. Or better still go after his wife. She



COUNTERPROGRAMMING While campaign signs were previously reported stolen from this popular location at Alliance Road and Spear Avenue, this method of opposition is far more civilized.

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is easier to get to and as he considers wives expendable, he can bury her next to Ivana.

Thank you for listening,
Jan Phelps
Arcata

It was 1961 or 1962...

I came across your recent article in the *Union* on bicycling safety, and it reminded me of an incident in which I was involved a while back. If you are under 60, you may have to do some research to understand my letter.

So, it was in 1961 or '62, and I was heading into town from Sunny Brave via the Old Arcata Road, going to the little league field at Stewart School. Dave Gross was with me and I think one of the Spurling boys as well.

Now if you Google "Seventh Street overpass" you will find that it did not exist until 1966. What we had at that time was freeway level intersection controlled by a traffic light. There was no Fourth Street extension across the bottoms with the only full cloverleaf intersection north of San Francisco.

So there we sat on our bikes at the intersection of Old Arcata Road and Union Street and we of course decided to race down the somewhat steep section towards town. Done it lots of times. I was on my fairly new three-speed Schwinn racer, Dave had what I remember as a one-speed, fat-tire, cruiser type bike and the Spurling boy, either Harry or Bill, I think was on his older sister's rattle trap.

And we are off! Since Dave was a couple of years older than I was and I was trying to conserve energy for the upcoming game, about half way down he was leading me by a bit, but we were both flying. We had a good view of the traffic light at 101, and it looked like the light was going to be red about the time we got there. Being the con-

scientious cyclist that I was, I gently began to apply my finely adjusted front and rear hand caliper brakes, thus gradually beginning to slow.

But just then I heard some wild animal-like scream from ahead of me. I expected to see Dave putting rearward pressure on his pedals to engage the coaster brake on his bike. Wasn't happening. He was wildly pumping the pedals backward to no avail. He and I noticed at about the same time that his chain had jumped off the sprocket and was hanging loose. You know, it really happens that everything seems to move in slow motion at times like this.

Luckily it happened that there was a narrow gravel road that turned off to the right just before the intersection and ran through a break in the fence. He had the good fortune to avoid the mighty 101, pass through the fence and end up crash landing in brush and brambles that cushioned his touchdown. I gently rolled to a stop and either ran to his aid or sat there and laughed at him, not sure which. Bottom line we learned a lesson in the importance of proper maintenance or one's conveyance.

Oh, and Dave found us a really great blackberry patch.

Dick Woodworth
Houston, Texas
AHS class of '66

Pop those pills over to CVS

I called the CVS in McKinleyville to determine what to do with old and unwanted medication.

Answer: Put the pills in a plastic bag and bring it to the pharmacy. They will deal with it... no need to put it in the landfill!

Rita Carole
McKinleyville

Communicating the reality of climate change as time runs short

In the 19th century a revolutionary explorer and naturalist forewarned humans that unless we discovered nature's own laws, we had the potential to upset them and do harm. He imagined nature as a unified whole that needed to be observed through study and measurement so that we could better understand it. Thomas Jefferson was a friend and Charles Darwin was inspired by him. That man was Alexander Von Humboldt.

In 1850, the first American ship arrived in Wigi (the Wiyot name for Humboldt Bay) and two passengers renamed it after this climate change futurist. He is now considered an icon in the climate change world. How did he convince so many at the time to take his ideas seriously? It was widely believed (and still is) that the world was created for humans to use for their own benefit. Communication is imperative. If we want to prepare for climate change, we must talk about it. How do we do that effectively?

When I worked at the United States Post Office as a letter carrier, I was also a union representative. I negotiated with management to defend our contract. Sometimes we resolved issues, but more often my attempts to do so were initially denied, which meant more time needed to resolve an issue. The worst-case scenarios could take years. Frustrated, I wished for a streamlined

grievance process.

We are running out of time with climate change. We don't have years to waste while waiting for "the process" to play itself out. Like overcoming the kinetic energy of a car to make it move faster, don't we need to step on the gas pedal and accelerate?

Matt Simmons

To try to answer these questions, I asked Matt Simmons, the Environmental Protection Information Center's staff lawyer who works in Arcata, three questions:

Do you think the legal process can adequately meet climate change challenges? I'm thinking about the time frame we have, to act before it's too late.

No. The American legal system heavily favors entrenched monied interests like corporations over the people and species most harmed by climate change. That legal system has repeatedly failed environmental groups, Native American Tribes, and climate burdened cities when they have tried to use it to fight climate change. For evidence I would cite these past and present court cases. *Juliana v United States*, *Native Village of Kivalina v. Exxon*, and *County of San Mateo v Exxon*.

If we are going to use lawsuits

to fight climate change, we would need a new Supreme Court and a new Congress to pass stronger laws.

Can we streamline the legal process to act more quickly?

There have been a lot of recent proposals to weaken the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to streamline approval of renewable energy projects. Senator Joe Manchin has been leading this charge (although he wants to streamline the approval of all energy projects, not just renewable ones.) Of course, groups like EPIC use NEPA to fight environmentally destructive projects all the time.

Personally, I don't think we need to sacrifice environmental analysis in order to build renewable energy projects, we just have to do that analysis better. The current system favors people with money, who can afford expensive attorneys, over the average person, in terms of having their concerns heard.

What can environmentally concerned citizens do to participate in the climate change legal challenges?

Get involved with groups like EPIC that are trying to use the legal system for good! It doesn't have to be EPIC, lots of local

groups are trying to use the legal system to fight climate change. CRTP, Humboldt Baykeeper, and Friends of the Eel River have all recently participated in litigation that is connected to the climate crisis. Folks can volunteer or donate for these groups.

Marnin Robbins

I also talked with California State Parks North Coast Redwoods Interpretation and Education Program Manager Marnin Robbins and asked two questions:

How has climate change impacted the work park interpreters do?

So that's a very good question. I've worked in this job for 23 years and I've seen a big change in the comfort level with people about the official role of government to talk about climate change. I remember that (we) had a lot of internal conversation about what to do, but not a lot about how to message climate to the public for fear of backlash. I have seen, at least within the California State Parks, and I would say more broadly within the National Park Service as well and other organizations, that we have to talk about it. We need to be bold. We're doing it in our district with park interpreters.

Studies about which professionals are best suited to (provide) information about climate within parks and other cultural and natural resource institutions always have park interpreters

come out on top. This provides a wonderful opportunity to having (visitors) rethink perception.

We're providing accurate information and not doing it in a way that is politicizing the information. We're talking about actual information that we know about climate change and about what we can do working collectively. It's a core part of our messaging.

What kind of feedback from visitor's do you get when you talk about climate change? Do you find any resistance?

I guess I could say positive in a way, where people are interested and engaged, and they do want to find out more. I think it's interesting. The public comes to our parks from an entire ideological spectrum, from climate deniers to climate believers to the mushy middle.

Most people have heard about climate change, but don't know a lot about it and might not even fully understand the root causes that are driving climate change and how it is impacting people.

Our job as interpreters is not to change people's minds who have already made them up. We're not going to win that battle. Engage the folks who already consider themselves climate champions to work on not just an individual level, but on a collective level.

I want to thank Matt Simmons and Marnin Robbins for their work as environmental stewards addressing climate change issues.



❖ CLIMATE
CHANGE
AND YOU
Dana Utman

SCENE



ARTCATA WORKS Left, colorful works by Joyce Jonte are on display at Arcata Artisans. Right, Seven Mallets by Jay Brown, on display in Jacoby's Storehouse.

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Live music, art & more on Friday

ARCATA MAIN STREET

ARCATA — Celebrate the visual and performing arts in Downtown Arcata during Arts! Arcata on Friday, Nov. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. We want to welcome all our community members to come out and visit with us for a lively night market of local art displayed in our downtown stores.

Local art vendors will be set up in the center of the Plaza, which will also be a beer garden featuring live music from White Deer, a new Humboldt County band, playing original Americana country.

The following are the participating venues:

• **Arcata Artisans**, 883 H St. — For November the recent works of Joyce Jonte' and Kurt Hellmich are featured. Joyce Jonte' paints the human figure and botanicals. In her own words: "I paint every day, focusing on beauty, hope, and grace. The hours I spend in my studio creating art are healing and uplifting. I hope to express my joy and passion in this display of new florals and figures, celebrating life, nature and humanity." Kurt Hellmich is a longtime cherished fine local woodworker. Currently he specializes in fine wooden gift items such as cribbage boards, cheese slicers, cutting boards, boxes and unique small drawers.

• **Arcata Gallery**, 1063 H St. — Live music provided by the Moon-docks, 6 to 9 p.m.

• **EXIT Theatre**, 890 G St. — upstairs — Come catch some of your favorite tunes with jazz saxophone artist Stan Fleming Jr. from 4 to 6 p.m.

• **Fire Arts Center Gallery**, 520 South G St. — Fire Arts Gallery is featuring works by our talented staff, including David Jordan, Alder Gustafson, Sophie Holderman, Natalia



MOONRISE HERBS Brook Sharp and Emma Marquez perform at Moonrise Herbs.

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Melendez Rosa, Jess Swan, Elaine Y. Shore, and Elizabeth P. Johnson. Stop in and see what's new!

• **Heart of Humboldt**, 601 I St. #B — We are excited about our November Artist. Our Artist of the Month is Amber Star from Painted Forest Art. She will have her vibrant, nature-inspired pieces on display. Amber's main medium is marker and acrylic paint. In addition to Amber being in the shop during Arts! Arcata, we will also have UpNorth Humboldt doing a live demo in-store. Amber's Instagram handle is @PaintedForestArt.

• **Humboldt Cactus Company**, 1034 H St. — Art, succulents, cacti, local pottery, and Plantasia live music celebration.

• **InfuZions**, 863 H St. — Featured art for November is by HighOrb. HighOrb is about creating psychedelic abstract art through the use of lighting and UV reactive paints. Each piece of art is different and under black light can seem like an entirely new piece as the paints glow

and pop off the canvas.

• **Jacoby Storehouse**, 791 Eighth St. — Jay Brown Art & Design will be open for viewing and a chance to visit a working art studio from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Plaza Grill on the second floor continues Mixed Media Works on Paper by Jay Brown for November. New work featured is the Lightning Complex Fire Viewed from Manila.

• **KC Fitness Personal Training**, 789 I St. — Animals Teach, by Laura Phelan-Shahin. Laura is a visual artist/expressive arts therapist. She believes in the healing power of the arts. Her painting practice is contemplation through meditation or prayer. During the time she is painting a piece, Laura tunes into that animals' spirit by learning about them scientifically and mythologically, and also by meditating on them. This is a practice of listening, in which she attempts to capture what is heard.

• **Moonrise Herbs**, 826 G St. — Paintings by Noelle Cox. Music and singing provided by Brook Sharp and Emma Marquez. We are two artistic, funky, and eclectic ladies that love to get their groove on and wholeheartedly love sharing that passion for music with others. Both of us sing & play the acoustic guitar, but Emma also rips on the fiddle. We mainly play covers of artists in the genres of folk, country, & alternative/indie, and we are also in the process of writing our own music. We hope to see you groovin' out there on Friday at Moonrise Herbs. Free tea for refreshment.

• **Umpqua Bank Upstairs Gallery**, 1063 G St. — Alejandro Escudero presents Psychedelic Mexican Surf Art at the Umpqua Upstairs Gallery 6 to 9 p.m.

My Black Is... exhibit at Cal Poly Humboldt

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

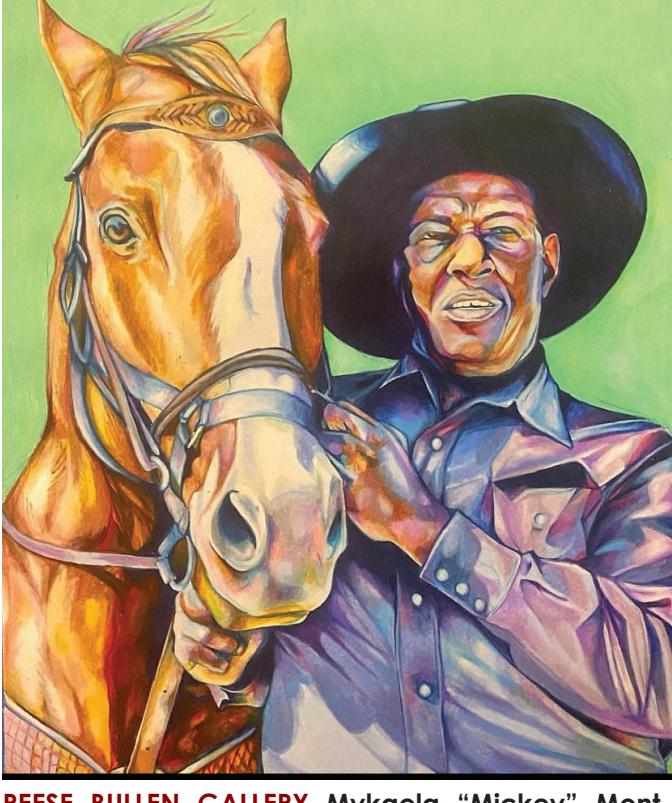
CAL POLY HUMBOLDT — My Black Is... — an exhibition at the Reese Bullen Gallery at Cal Poly Humboldt — features nine artists from the Humboldt county area.

The exhibit will run through Dec. 3. The public is invited to visit the gallery during open hours. Exhibiting artists are: Malachi Arthur, Karyn Clark, Mia S. Felder, Mo Harper-Desir, Jamal Ibrahim, Mykaela "Mickey" Montgomery, Lydia Morris, Kassandra Rice and Elila Veronique.

This exhibition is made possible through a collaboration with Black Humboldt, a community organization built for and by Black Humboldt residents. The My Black Is... exhibition centralizes Black and Brown bodies in spaces they are regularly marginalized from, or dominated by non-POC and cultures.

Representation matters for those yearning and dreaming of a life, where they do not see people like themselves reflected back to them. Black Humboldt works to normalize Black and Brown arts, art forms and community members within all art spaces. The Reese Bullen Gallery can be found on the Cal Poly Humboldt campus in the Art Building, near the corner of Laurel Drive and B Street in Arcata. The gallery is open Wednesday and Thursday from noon to 6 p.m.; Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

More information on this exhibition is available at artfilm.humboldt.edu/galleries along with a forthcoming virtual tour of the exhibition. More information on Black Humboldt and how to support their efforts at blackhumboldt.com.



REESE BULLEN GALLERY Mykaela "Mickey" Montgomery's "Forgotten Cowboy," 2021, color pencil on paper. This piece is part of the Cal Poly Humboldt Permanent Collection of Art.

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ARTIST CHALLENGE Brenda Tuxford Gallery and Ink People Center for the Arts are pleased to announce the return of our popular annual community exhibition, Artist Challenge, this December. The exhibition equation is still the same: 30 days + 15 original works of art = profit! Ink People members are invited to take

part in the 2022 Challenge by creating fifteen original works of art, in just 30 days, for one big art sale. All fifteen pieces of art must be created between Nov. 1 and Nov. 30, 2022. Artists choose one size for all fifteen works. Sale prices are set as follows: 3" x 5" = \$24 each. 8" x 7" = \$45 each. 8" x 10" = \$60 each. 11" x 14"

= \$75 each. All art will be displayed and available for sale at the Brenda Tuxford Gallery this December. Artists must be Ink People members to be eligible. To learn more about the exhibition and membership, please visit inkpeople.org, call (707) 442-8413, or email gallery@inkpeople.org.

POST-PUNK BAND Urban Heat will perform Wednesday, Nov. 9 at the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 1036 G St. in Arcata. Urban Heat are a three-piece American post-punk band from Austin, Texas. The band formed in 2019 when Jonathan Horstmann enlisted Kevin Naquin and Paxel Foley to form a live show based on his analog sound design experiments. The result fuses dark 1980s' stylings with modern flourishes, with Horstmann's throaty baritone delivering musings on existence and romanticism against an unrelenting industrial gothic pulse. Their live show is undeniably energetic and engaging, earning them slots at Austin's Levitation and Seattle's Freakout Fest in 2021 and SXSW 2020 and 2022. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$10 and are available by visiting arcatatheatrelounge.com. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

LA LUZ will perform Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Van Duzer Theatre at Cal Poly Humboldt.

La Luz is an American rock band from Los Angeles known for their "surf noir" style with layered vocal harmonies. Their energetic live shows often include *Soul Train*-inspired dance contests. On their self-titled fourth album, La Luz launch themselves into a new realm of emotional intimacy for a collection of songs steeped in the mysteries of the

natural world and the magic of human chemistry that has found manifestation in the musical connection between guitarist and songwriter Shana Cleveland, bassist Lena Simon, keyboardist Alice Sandahl and drummer Audrey Johnson. All ages. Doors open at 8 p.m., show begins at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$18 general and free for Cal Poly Humboldt students. For more information, call (707) 826-3928 or visit centerarts.humboldt.edu.



LA LUZ will get you dancing Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Van Duzer.

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ARCATA THEATRE LOUNGE

Duckwrth will perform Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 1036 G St. in Arcata. L.A.-based recording artist, musician and designer Duckwrth, born Jared Lee, has quickly risen up the ranks as a promising star in the future of music. Known for his genre-bending sound, Duckwrth has amassed over 400 million cumulative streams across his catalog and a cult following around the globe. His collection of critically acclaimed projects has transcended streaming platforms and received praise globally. His hard work, style and aesthetic has led the rapper to becoming an international touring staple, with sold-out headline shows across the world, breakout festival appearances and a recent stint with global pop star Billie Eilish on her "Happier than Ever" tour. Also with Eluijay. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets are \$22 in advance and \$26 at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000 or visit arcatatheatrelounge.com.

RICHARD'S GOAT Arrington de Dionysos will perform Friday, Nov. 11 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. Founding member and driving force behind acclaimed band Old Time Relijun ("Captain Beefheart-meets-Birthday Party rock"), multi-instrumentalist Arrington de Dionysos returns to Arcata. From playing around on church pianos and organs while his missionary parents worked, to listening to ragas, African music, and whatever else the local library had to loan, to playing Spokane street corners in a high school punk band, to forming Old Time Relijun and being signed to K Records, to inventing the "bromiophone" and recording an album with it on a small rowboat off the coast of Sweden, Dionysos has always retained his experimental leanings. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 at the door or in advance by visiting richardsgoat.com. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

HUMBOLDT BREWERY The Vince Herman Band will perform Saturday, Nov. 12 at the Humboldt Brewery at 856 10th St. in Arcata. Vince Herman is a guitarist and singer and songwriter best known for being one of the founding members of Leftover Salmon. He will embark on a Northwest tour with his sons as the Vince Herman Band. The debut Vince Herman album ...enjoy the ride... which was released this month on LoHi Records. Doors open at 8:30 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$25 in advance and at the door. For more information, call (707) 826-BREWS or visit humbrews.com.

RICHARD'S GOAT Sports and Hot Flash Heat Wave will perform Saturday, Nov. 12 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. Tulsa duo Sports have been making and recording music under different names since their teenaged years. Musically, Sports inspires images of the youthful idyll of bygone times through dulcet melodies and sun-drenched funk synths. Their elaborate, mind-expanding arrangements are warm and enveloping, creating a world where David Bowie, the Beach Boys and the Clash

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collide. San Francisco band Hot Flash Heat Wave rose to prominence in the Bay Area music scene in 2015 with the release of their debut album *Neapolitan*. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 in advance by visiting richardsgoat.com, or \$15 at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

RICHARD'S GOAT Nicholas Merz and Howls Road will perform Monday, Nov. 14 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. Nicholas Merz has been compared to Orville Peck and Bambara – "brooding western gothic rock sweeping the underground." Merz sonically explores loose structures over his guitar and pedal steel playing, while interweaving focused lyrical images in between passages. Howls Road is the moniker of multi-instrumentalist singer-songwriter Emily Pratt. Her playfully menacing folk songs tell stories of love, growth, and navigating the fringes of society as a trans person. Her abstract live performance is a blend of orchestral loops, Dadaist storytelling, and Expressionist inspired lighting. Her debut single explores the idea of queer reclamation by drawing a link between the sacred rituals of pagan societies and the rituals of trans people. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Suggested \$10 donation at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000 or visit richardsgoat.com.

COMING UP Zepparella will perform at the Blue Lake Casino on Friday, Nov. 18 at 9 p.m. Built to Spill will perform at the Arcata Theatre Lounge on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m.

The Lifespan of a Fact at Redwood Curtain

REDWOOD CURTAIN THEATRE

EUREKA – Redwood Curtain Theatre is excited to present the play *The Lifespan of a Fact*, by Jeremy Karken, David Murrell and Gordon Farrell, running the first three weekends of November from Nov. 4 to Nov. 19.

Based on the book by John D'Agata and Jim Fingal, *The Lifespan of a Fact* explores the story of Jim Fingal, a fresh-out-of-Harvard fact checker for a prominent but sinking New York magazine, and John D'Agata, a talented writer with a transcendent essay about the suicide of a teenage boy – an essay that could save the magazine from collapse.

When Jim is assigned by editor Emily Penrose to fact check D'Agata's essay, the three come head to head in a comedic yet gripping battle over facts versus truth. The play is based on John D'Agata's real-life essay *What Happens There*, a piece written about the Las Vegas suicide of teenager Levi Presley.

Jim Fingal, assigned to fact check the piece, ignited a seven-year debate on the blurred lines of what passes for truth in literary nonfiction.

Continuing the tradition of pre-

senting theatrical productions that are timely, relevant and entertaining, Redwood Curtain's Managing Director Nanette Voss insists that "this play explores aspects of 'fake' news versus literature and the fine line between truth and fiction."

Similarly, Director David Hamilton reveals, "What drew me to this particular script is that the questions it asks have no easy answer. In a digital age where conspiracy theories abound and mistrust for the media is at an all-time high, do storytellers have room for embellishment? Are facts still important or does it all come down to making an emotional connection to the audience? In our world of rhetoric and division, this debate seems extremely timely."

The cast consists of veteran actor Christina Joras as editor Emily Penrose, and newcomers to the Redwood Curtain stage Jordan Dobbins, as the meticulous fact-checking Jim Fingal, and Tony Cogliati, as the author John D'Agata.

Joras expresses her favorite part of this production: "I'm always a fan of the moments that make you think about how you would have reacted.

We've always said that our goal with every show at Redwood Curtain is that no one leaves unaffected. This one certainly fills that bill."

A top-notch production team supports these talented actors. At the helm is David Hamilton, first-time RCT director but long-time theater director and performer. Lighting Designer, Michael Burkhardt; Sound Designer, Tammy Rae Scott; and Set Designer, Laura Rhinehart, round out the team. Samahri Brice and Monica Blacklock are stage managing.

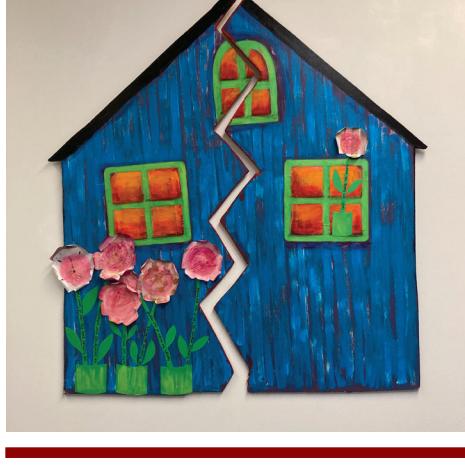
Redwood Curtain Theatre is following Humboldt County Public Health protocol, and highly recommending that all audience members, vaccinated and unvaccinated, wear a mask while inside the theater.

This show is a one-act; therefore, there will be no intermission. Performances are on Friday, Nov. 11, Saturday, Nov. 12, Thursday, Nov. 17, Friday, Nov. 18 at Saturday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m.

There is a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Nov. 13. Ticket are \$20 per person

redwoodcurtain.com

Survivors of domestic violence make art for new show



INK PEOPLE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

EUREKA – "We Are Worthy: Artwork of Survivors," the new exhibition on view at Brenda Tuxford Gallery, features powerful and inspiring works of art that explore the topic of healing from domestic violence.

Exhibition organizer Julie Smiley, a Crescent City-based artist and educator, created several artworks as part of a collaboration with residents at Harrington House, a domestic abuse shelter in Del Norte County.

WE ARE WORTHY "Fierce," Jenny Downs, 2020. Mixed media on pressed board, ~ 3' x 4'.

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"This exhibition is intended to highlight the inherent value of all people – to explore what enables us to make changes, find support, and thrive in healthier lives," Smiley stated.

On average, more than 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men in the United States will experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner. Artworks in this exhibition address the traumatic legacy of this often invisible epidemic of violence by charting their makers' path to recovery. Paintings, a poem, and mixed media artworks by Julie Smiley, Christy Tjaden and Jenny Downs communicate aspects of their makers' healing process.

Smiley's abstract multimedia panels have

dense, complicated surfaces containing collaboratively sourced elements like intricately cut paper stripes and spirals. One artwork features "tear-off mantras" with messages elaborating the exhibition's centering concept, including: "I am worthy of love," "I am worthy of protection," and "I am worthy of admiration." Gallery visitors are welcome to tear off a mantra for themselves.

"We Are Worthy" runs through November 25 at Brenda Tuxford Gallery, located in the Ink People building at 627 Third St. in Old Town Eureka. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You can also view the artworks in the exhibition online at inkpeople.org/noshowing. Call (707) 442-8413 or email gallery@inkpeople.org for more information.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MATTHEW CLAYTON SMITH

CASE NO.: PR220307

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MATTHEW CLAYTON SMITH

A Petition for Probate has been filed by JOAQUIN SMITH and RUBEN SMITH in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JOAQUIN SMITH and RUBEN SMITH be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval.

Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: NOV. 17, 2022

Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 6

Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

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If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The Petition for Probate requests that: SHARON BLAKE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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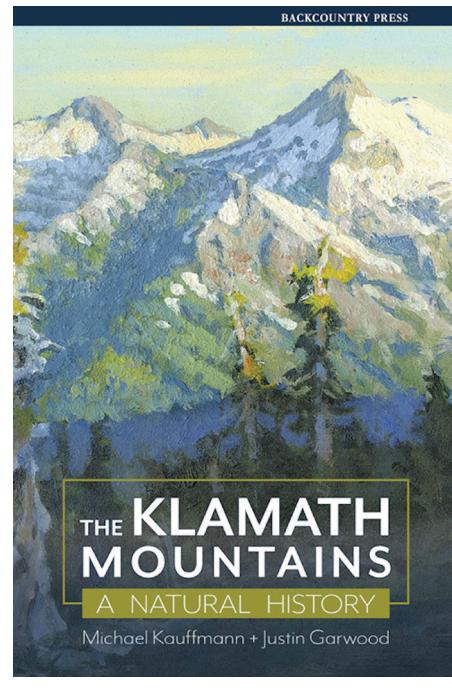
Kauffmann talks Klamath at zoo, on Zoom

SEQUOIA PARK ZOO

EUREKA – The Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Lecture Series returns with a hybrid version of the popular speaker event on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 6:45 p.m. Michael Kauffmann, local author, educator and research ecologist, will discuss his book *The Klamath Mountains: A Natural History* which celebrates the region through "stories of diversity and resilience over deep time."

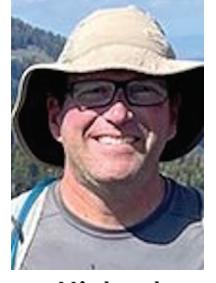
The event begins with Zoo updates and information at 6:45 p.m. The lecture starts promptly at 7 p.m. for both in-person and online viewers. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions of the speaker after the presentation. The Conservation Lecture Series is sponsored by Papa & Barkley.

The 2022/23 Conservation Lecture Series will be available both in-person and remotely by Zoom. To attend virtually, a free, registered Zoom account is required. The Zoom link will be available on the Zoo website at SequoiaParkZoo.net and through social media. The in-person lecture is at the Sequoia Park Zoo Flamingo Room at 3414 W St., Eureka.



Conifer County and *Conifers of the Pacific Slope* and co-author of *Field Guide to Manzanitas, California Desert Plants*, and *The Klamath Mountains: A Natural History*.

If you would like to attend in-person, please enter through GATE C, just past the crosswalk at the front of the Zoo. For help with the Zoom app, please email cac@sequoiaparkzoo.net by Nov. 14 for troubleshooting assistance.



Michael Kauffmann

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Sequoia Park Zoo inspires conservation of the natural world by instilling wonder, respect and passion for wildlife.



Familiarize with fabulous fungi, fungal topics at the 44th Mushroom Fair

HUMBOLDT BAY MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY

ARCATA – The Humboldt Bay Mycological Society's 44th Mushroom Fair will be held Sunday, Nov. 13 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center.

In addition to our display of as many as 350 species of local mushrooms and vendors of mushroom related products, books and educational displays on ecology and other fungal topics there will be the following four presentations:

• 11:45 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. "Myco-Kids Workshop" presented by Kristan Trunzo

This fun and engaging workshop is an introduction to the amazing world of fungi, tailored for kids ages 7 to 11. Workshop size is limited to 20 children; parents are welcome to accompany their kids.

Kristan is the founder of Mycobundance, a youth-focused nonprofit that is dedicated to bringing educational content based on mycology and ecology to young people grades K-12.

• Noon "Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast" presented by Noah Siegel

This talk will be an introduction to our local mushrooms and is intended for those who wish to learn about fungi. Noah is co-author of the field guide *Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast*.

Noah has spent two decades

seeking, photographing, identifying, and furthering his knowledge about all aspects of macrofungi, traveling and lecturing on multiple continents as he follows the mushrooms.

He is one of the premier mushroom photographers in the nation.

• 1 p.m. "Bioluminescent and Fluorescent Fungi" presented by Alan Rockefeller

Fluorescent fungi glow when exposed to ultraviolet light. Bioluminescent fungi make their own light, glowing in complete darkness.

This talk includes lots of original photography of both types of glowing mushrooms. Techniques for locating and photographing these fungi are discussed. Alan Rockefeller is a mycologist, public speaker, biohacker and photographer.

• 2 p.m. "Making Scents of Fungi, from Stench to Perfume" presented by Christian Schwarz

If you've ever gone on a walk with an old-time mushroom picker, you've probably noticed that they often lift mushrooms to their noses as soon as they pick them. Besides being intriguing, alluring, and surprising, aromas can be extremely important clues for identification.

Come take an olfactory toe through the world of fungi! Christian teaches Natural History of Fungi at UC Santa Cruz and is co-author of *Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast*

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HOPE AND HOLIDAYS The Breast and GYN Health Project (BGHP) hosts their 11th Annual "Hope and Holidays in Humboldt" Online Auction now through Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. The auction features many local businesses' generous contributions. It also features a wide variety of items donated by individuals, including a 1908 Nickelodeon Player Piano. The online auction site is biddingforgood.com/BGHP/BGHP-12. To bid, people must register on the Bidding for Good website. For more information visit bghp.org or email rosegz@hcbhp.org or call (707) 825-8345.

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Holiday Market at Septentrio

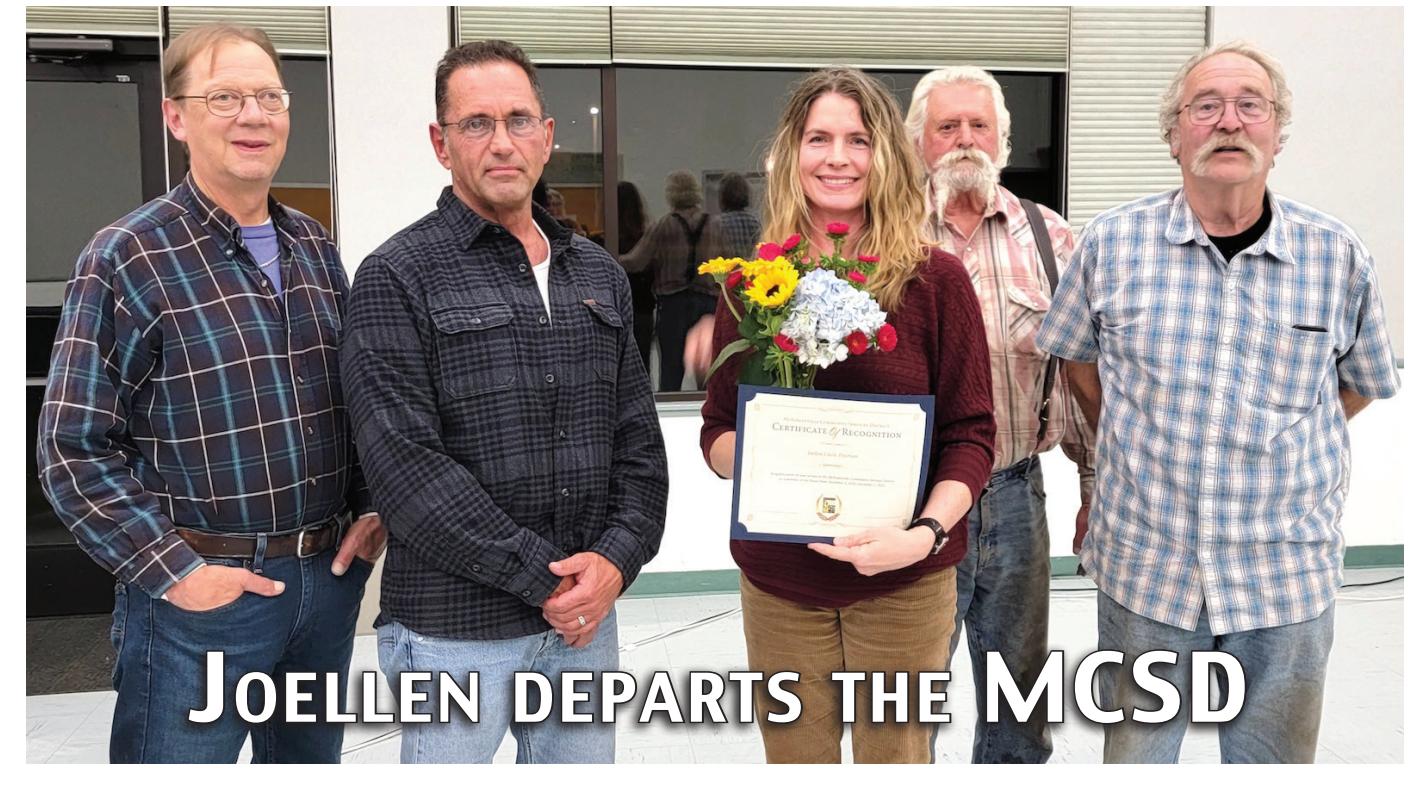
HOMEBOLDT

ARCATA – This holiday season, HOMEBOLDT is proud to announce another annual Holiday Market Pop-Up experience at Septentrio Winery, 650 Sixth St., Arcata, Dec. 3, 10 and 17 from 2 to 8 p.m.

Over a dozen local vendors offering a variety of crafts, gifts, clothing and housewares will join forces with Homeboldt to create a unique, relaxed space to get some holiday shopping done while enjoying the company of friends with good drinks, food and music.

In addition to the crowd favorite staples, Homeboldt will be debuting their all new Winter Collection in its entirety at the Market, including some exclusive items only available at the pop-up!

For more information, stay up to date by following Homeboldt online or shoot us an email at homeboldtgrown@gmail.com



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE The McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors recognized Joellen Clark-Peterson for her service on the board at its Nov. 2 meeting. Clark-Peterson was sworn into office on Dec. 9, 2020, and has served on several board committees during her two-year term, including the Redwood Region Economic Development Commission, Humboldt Area Fund, alternate to the McKinleyville Senior Center liaison and the Environmental Matters Committee. "During this time, she has proved to be a valued and dedicated member of the board, who constantly worked for the benefit of the district, its rate payers, and the community of McKinleyville," stated a report from MCSD staff. From left are directors Scott Binder, Greg Orsini, Clark-Peterson, Dennis Mayo and David Couch. Clark-Peterson's term expires on Dec. 2. She'll be replaced by retired business professor James Biteman, who the board appointed to the position at its Oct. 5 meeting.

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